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PRODUCTION OF VEGETABLES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the production and growth rate of vegetables recorded during the last three years and the current year, state-wise;

(b) the per capita availability of vegetables in the country vis-Ã -vis other developed and developing countries;

(c) the estimated value of the wastage of fruits and vegetables in the country due to lack of storage facilities per annum; and

(d) the steps taken for increasing the number and capacity of cold storages in the country particularly in Karnataka to increase shelf life of these perishable items?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) The total production of vegetables in the country during 1998-99 and 1999-2000 was 87536.0 thousand MT and 90830.7 thousand MT respectively. State-wise production of vegetables is indicated at Annexure-I. The average rate of growth in vegetable production in the country has been 20.45% (1998-99) and 3.76% (1999-2000)

(b) Average per capita availability of vegetables in India during the year 2001 was 63.87 kg. per person per year. The world `average` was 119.95 kg. per person per year. A statement indicating per capita availability of vegetables in different countries may be seen at Annexure-II.

(c) As per the report of 10th Plan sub-group of Planning Commission on post-harvest management the wastages range from 8-37% at various stages of handling after harvesting due to in-adequate post harvest infrastructure including transport and storage.

(d) As per information available, 509 Nos. of cold storages have been assisted by National Horticulture Board during 1999-2000 and 2001-02 for creation of additional storage capacity of 23.59 lakh MT. In Karnataka NHB has assisted 15 cold storages creating additional capacity of 63209 MT.

ANNEXURE-I

STATE-WISE PRODUCTION OF VEGETABLES

STATE/ UT`s PRODUCTION (IN 000`MT)

	1998-99	1999-2000
ANDHRA PRADESH	3541.2	2839.1
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	80.9	80.9
ASSAM	2834.8	3089.4
BIHAR (INCLUDING JHARKHAND)	9418.4	9548.8
DELHI	651.9	652.0
GOA	70.0	70.0
GUJRAT	3255.0	2647.0
HARYANA	1850.0	2094.5
HIMACHAL PRADESH	606.4	660.9
JAMMU & KASHMIR	606.9	584.4
KARNATKA	4944.9	6796.9
KERALA	2857.2	2857.1
MADHYA PRADESH (INCLUDING CHHATISGARH)	3276.2	3632.0
MAHARASHTRA	4479.5	4828.6
MANIPUR	45.0	60.8

MEGHALAYA	308.7	252.9
MIZORAM	62.4	56.3
NAGALAND	313.3	235.7
ORISSA	10087.1	9096.0
PUNJAB	1906.3	2285.0
RAJASTHAN	396.1	472.6
SIKKIM	42.2	43.0
TAMIL NADU	5704.8	5660.3
TRIPURA	232.8	232.8
U.P. (HILLS)		
(UTTRANCHAL)	840.7	733.2
U.P. (PLAINS)	12680.6	13842.4
WEST BENGAL	16367.4	17413.8
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	15.8	15.8
CHANDIGARH	11.5	1.2
DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	13.5	13.5
DAMAN & DIU	1.0	1.1
LAKSHADWEEP	-	0.2
PONDICHERRY	33.5	32.6
ALL INDIA	87536.0	90830.7

ANNEXURE-II

PER CAPITA AVAILABILITY OF VEGETABLES IN INDIA & OTHER COUNTRIES YEAR 2001.

VEGETABLES

PCA (kg/person/year)	
World	111.95
China	224.89
India	63.87
United States of America	133.10
Turkey	331.48
Italy	265.93
Egypt	207.98
Japan	99.63
Russian Federation	86.15
Korea, Republic of	280.08
Spain	300.64
Iran, Islamic Rep. Of	152.99
Mexico	94.40
France	131.76
Nigeria	68.35
Brazil	41.42
Indonesia	31.75
Ukraine	125.28
Poland	140.65